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NO LUNCHEON ... OR ... DINNER ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18th

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RAY H. BRANNAMAN

Commander Brannaman who is a member of the Denver Press Club and styles himself a "hill-billy from the wilds of the Rocky Mountains" commanded two aero squadrons overseas during World War I. Occupying many posts of importance in civilian life since then, Brannaman will speak briefly and informally about the VFW.

HAVE YOU SENT IN YOUR RESERVATIONS FOR FRONT TABLES FOR THE DINNER????

HAVE YOU RETURNED YOUR BALLOT FOR THE AWARDS?????????

Again, it is thought advisable to have a cocktail party rather than a luncheon or dinner. Members can get around and talk to many more colleagues and results of a poll taken last week indicate that this sort of informal get-together meets with the approval of a majority of members.

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There will be a meeting of the Board of Governors of the club on Wednesday, February 25, at 8:30 P.M. in the clubrooms. Individual notices will be mailed to the Governors.

There will be a meeting of the dinner committee on Monday, February 16, in the clubrooms at 5:30 P.M., according to John Daly, chairman. Members - please note.

PLEASE SEND YOUR BALLOTS INTO THE CLUB IMMEDIATELY SO THAT THE AWARDS COMMITTEE CAN MAKE THE FINAL COUNT DEADLINE FOR BALLOTS IS FEBRUARY 18 Bruno Shaw, chairman of the Committee, has announced that handsome Hamilton watches will constitute the Awards.

Ralph McGill, editor of the Atlanta Constitution, has instigated a new feature for readers of that paper who have a pet gripe. They can get it off their chest in a squibb held to 150 words and entitled "So There. I've Said it, and I'm Glad."

Promoting Bob Considine's feature serial (distributed by King Features) of Stanislaw Mikolaczky, the Diario Illustrado of Santiago, Chile, printed 300,000 handbills and dropped them over Chilean cities.

Edward P. Morgan of Collier's has had a two article series in the current issues of the magazine called "Around the World With the Flivver Fliers" or the story of Clifford Evans and George Truman who circled the globe in two Piper Cubs, in just 43 more days than it took Phineas Fogg.

Mark Senigo, formerly of the Bureau of Advertising of the ANPA, has joined the promotion department of the New York Times. Semigo served for three years during the war as sports editor of the London edition of Stars and Stripes.

WANTED..... GHOST WRITERS FOR SHORT ARTICLES..... SPOT ASSIGNMENTS.

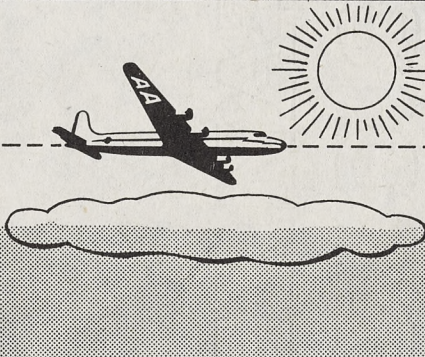
Eric Bergh, one of our guest members, has a radio program on Station WFMO, New Jersey, at 7:45 P.M. Sundays on the general subject of "Fun With Books". Authors should contact him at 545 Fifth Avenue, New York, if they have some ideas.

Howard Whitman, in an article appearing in the February issue of Cosmopolitan, discusses the question "How Shall We Tell Our Young People the Truth About Sex?" and James Ramsey Ullman, in the same issue, described Hawaii as the Eden of the U.S.A.

Morris Harkness, camera editor of the New York Sun, was interviewed on the Margaret Arlen program over WCBS at 8:30 A.M. last week.

William Philip Simms, Scripps Howard foreign editor, wrote from Washington in the N.Y. World Telegram of February 10th that the opening of the frontier between France and Spain marks the end of another chapter of Soviet appeasement (by France).

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 Edith M. Barber --- Your Food Problems --- General Features Corporation
 Hal Boyle --- Boyle's Column --- Associated Press
 Bennett Cerf --- Try and Stop Me --- King Features Service
 Bob Considine --- On The Line --- International News Service
 Joe Cunningham --- Hit n' Run --- Associated Press
 Henry Gellerman --- The Financial World --- Transradio Press
 Ben Gross --- Looking and Listening --- Chicago Tribune-N.Y.Daily News Syndicate
 Alice Hughes --- Woman's New York - King Features Service
 Adelaide Kerr --- These Women --- Associated Press
 Helen Kirkpatrick --- Helen Kirkpatrick's column - New York Post - Globe and Mail
 (Toronto)

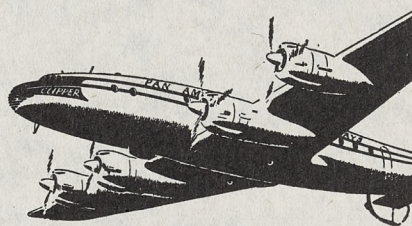
Jack Lait --- All In The Family --- King Feature Syndicate
 J. P. McEvoy --- Your Roving Reporter - McNaught Syndicate --- Editorial Press
 Elsa Maxwell --- Party Line --- Press Alliance, Inc.
 Edgar Ansel Mowrer --- Press Alliance
 John O'Donnell --- Capitol Stuff --- Washington Column --- Chicago Trib.-N.Y.Daily News
 William Shirer --- William L. Shirer --- N.Y.Herald Trib. --- Liller Services Ltd. ---
 Editors Press
 George Sokolsky --- These Days --- Chicago Sun - Times Syndicate
 Leland Stowe --- Leland Stowe's column --- N. Y. Post --- Globe and Mail Syndicate
 (Toronto)
 Dorothy Thompson --- On the Record --- Bell Syndicate --- Dominion News Syndicate ---
 Editors Press Service
 James Young --- In the Far East --- King Features Service

Ralph J. Major has announced his engagement this week to Miss Betty Casey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Casey of New York. Betty is an editorial assistant on the staff of Newsweek Magazine. Ralph is associate editor of Coronet. Wedding will take place in June.

Typographical error --- In the last Bulletin regarding accreditation of UN correspondents ... a very important phrase was omitted by the mimeographers --- the story should have read "700 American correspondents and those correspondents from other countries are now being closely inspected by U.S. government officials regarding their credentials as correspondents to the UN." Actually, the major part of the investigation falls on correspondents from abroad who are here to report about the United Nations.

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It is reported that Edd Johnson has resigned as editor of the New Republic magazine.

Noel Busch, correspondent and senior editor of Life magazine, has written a new book which will appear soon. Title is "Fallen Sun".

John Gunther's book "Inside U.S.A." still holds first place in the non-fiction book list of best sellers.

William Hipple, formerly of Newsweek and lately of the American Overseas Airlines in Stockholm, has returned to the States and will be head of the southern section of the public relations office for American Airlines. Bill is reported to have given New York a once over lightly and to have said that "Swedes are snobs."

McGraw-Hill publications, of which John Chapman is vice president, have just finished a survey of the plans of American business to expand its plant and equipment in 1948-- which will total \$14,900,000,000 as against \$16,100,000,000 in 1947.

Don Cook of the N.Y. Herald Trib staff in London wrote in the Feb. 8 Sunday edition of that paper that England will not be able to get through without the aid of the Marshall Plan.

Dan Schorr, recently returned from the Low Countries where he was assigned by ABC and ANETA has a feature article in the Christian Science Monitor revealing a Dutch "catastrophe plan" to be instituted if the ERP is too little or too late. Dan also had an article in the New York Times magazine on the International Court of Justice in The Hague.

Ray Josephs' recent article in Argosy magazine which was called "The Senoritas Will Love You" has raised an avalanche of discussion as to the merits of marrying a senorita as Ray did or of marrying an American girl. Editor's Note.... Next poll of OPC members should ascertain how many are married to senoritas. Ed Chester of CBS for one, has a beautiful wife from Latin America.

Elsa Maxwell gave one of her famous parties last week in honor of "senateur" Jacques Patenotre of France. Dorothy Thompson, one of the guests, said that when Vincent Sheean had visited her this summer in Vermont, he said "I am leaving for India soon. I have got to get there to see Gandhi before they kill him."

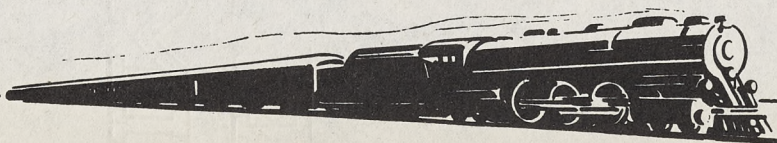
Henry Moscow has been elected second vice president of the New York Newspaper Guild. Henry is on the staff of the New York Post.

Gene Currivan of the New York Times bureau in the Middle East wrote in the New York Times recently in a dispatch from Cairo that the Arab League was planning a direct frontal attack against Jewish forces by the Arab Peoples Army for the middle of February.

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Gwen Dew, who reported in the Far East for the St. Louis Post Dispatch, the New Orleans Times Picayune, Milwaukee Journal, Minneapolis Tribune, Detroit News, etc. is now lecturing over the country about "MacArthur's Japan". Helen Kirkpatrick of the N.Y. Post is on a lecture tour. Ray Brock is lecturing cross country about his recent trip to Europe and says that the Commies have missed the bus in Western Europe...

Almost eighty members of the Overseas Press club and their guests attended the luncheon for the head of the Chinese delegation to the U.N., Dr. T. F. Tsiang. The pleasant restaurant of Al Schacht's had been opened especially for us so members took over the bar first and then moved to a delicious luncheon of four courses. Due to a misunderstanding with Town Hall, the luncheon was announced for that place and then subsequently changed. Schacht's does not open until five so members had the whole restaurant to themselves.

Dr. Tsiang's speech was off the record. Glimpsed around were Donald G. Coe of ABC; Simon Koster, president of the Foreign Press Association, who won the jackpot book of the luncheon; Joseph Laitin of Reuter's who is just back from a long jaunt to Latin America; Clyde Brown of Fairchild publications; Bill Ingram, correspondent in New York of Canadian papers; Fritz Kreisler, famous violinist, guest of Louis Lochner; Melvin Whiteleather of the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

Earle Selle, author of the book "Donald of China", attended the luncheon and told the moving story of writing the book which was a race with death as he found Donald in a hospital in Hawaii where he was desperately ill. When Donald was too weak to dictate, he insisted that his hand was still strong enough to write. Selle, who is blind, was brought over to the luncheon by Simon Michael Bessie of Harper's after his broadcast on Mary Margaret McBride's Program at 1 P.M. over WNBC.

Sir Malcolm Robertson, British diplomat of note who started his career as a secretary in the Foreign Office in 1903, sat at the head table, to the left of Bruno Shaw, who presided. Lady Robertson was the guest of Anne Marie Jungmann. Sir Malcom and Lady Robertson have traveled all over the world in important posts for the British empire over the period of the past five decades... a record for any diplomat!

The President of the University of Maine Press club, Fred McDonald, has written to the OPC calling attention to the present plight of newspaperman (German) who are trying to give Germany a free press. The letter quotes an American OMG official for Hesse who writes that a number of editors are fainting at their desks for lack of proper nourishment while former top Nazis receive packages from friends in the U.S. A list of the names and addresses of Hessian newspapermen who need food was forwarded with the letter. Will OPC members in Germany please note this squibb and send us some further information.

Hester E. Hensell.

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